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DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE

GENERAL SERVICES ADMINISTRATION

NATIONAL AERONAUTICS AND SPACE ADMINISTRATION

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[Docket 2012-0076; Sequence 56]

Federal Acquisition Regulation;

Information Collection; Cost Accounting Standards

Administration

AGENCIES: Department of Defense (DOD), General Services Administration (GSA), and National Aeronautics and Space Administration (NASA).

ACTION: Notice of request for comments regarding an extension to an existing OMB clearance.

SUMMARY: Under the provisions of the Paperwork Reduction Act, the Regulatory Secretariat will be submitting to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) a request to review and approve an extension of a previously approved information collection requirement concerning cost accounting standards administration.

Public comments are particularly invited on: Whether this collection of information is necessary for the proper performance of functions of the Federal Acquisition Regulations (FAR), and whether it will have practical utility; whether our estimate of the public burden of this collection of information is accurate, and based on valid assumptions and methodology; ways to enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected; and ways in which we can minimize the burden of the collection of information on those who are to respond, through the use

of appropriate technological collection techniques or other forms of information technology.

DATES: Submit comments on or before **[Insert date 60 days after publication in the Federal Register]**.

ADDRESSES: Submit comments identified by **Information Collection 9000-0129, Cost Accounting Standards**

Administration by any of the following methods:

- Regulations.gov: <http://www.regulations.gov>.

Submit comments via the Federal eRulemaking portal by searching the OMB control number. Select the link "Submit a Comment" that corresponds with "Information Collection 9000-0129, Cost Accounting Standards Administration". Follow the instructions provided at the "Submit a Comment" screen. Please include your name, company name (if any), and "Information Collection 9000-0129, Cost Accounting Standards Administration" on your attached document.

- Fax: 202-501-4067.
- Mail: General Services Administration, Regulatory Secretariat (MVCB), 1275 First Street, NE, Washington, DC 20417. ATTN: Hada Flowers/IC 9000-0129, Cost Accounting Standards Administration.

Instructions: Please submit comments only and cite Information Collection 9000-0129, Cost Accounting Standards Administration, in all correspondence related to this

collection. All comments received will be posted without change to <http://www.regulations.gov>, including any personal and/or business confidential information provided.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Mr. Edward Chambers, Procurement Analyst, Office of Acquisition Policy, GSA, (202) 501-3221 or email a edward.chambers@gsa.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

A. Purpose

FAR Subpart 30.6 and the provision at 52.230-6 include pertinent rules and regulations related to the Cost Accounting Standards along with necessary administrative policies and procedures. These administrative policies require certain contractors to submit cost impact estimates and descriptions in cost accounting practices and also to provide information on CAS-covered subcontractors.

B. Annual Reporting Burden

The estimated annual reporting burden is increased from that published in the Federal Register at 75 FR 3236, on January 20, 2010. Based on data from the Federal Procurement Data System for fiscal year 2011, an upward adjustment is made to the estimated annual reporting burden.

Number of Respondents: 1,288.

Responses Per Respondent: 2.27.

Total Responses: 2,924.

Average Burden Hours Per Response: 175.00.

Total Burden Hours: 511,700.

OBTAINING COPIES OF PROPOSALS: Requesters may obtain a copy of the information collection documents from the General Services Administration, Regulatory Secretariat (MVCB), 1275 First Street, NE, Washington, DC 20417, telephone (202) 501-4755. Please cite OMB Control Number 9000-0129, Cost Accounting Standards Administration, in all correspondence.
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